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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH CC-PZPR SECRETARY RYSZARD FRELEK:
DIVIDED-FAMILY CASES

REF (A) WARSAW 5087, (B) STATE 183211, (C) WARSAW 4939,
(D) WARSAW 5150

1. DURING A MEETING JULY 28, WITH FRELEK, I ASKED HIM WHAT PROGRESS THE SEJM COMMISSION ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, OF WHICH HE IS CHAIRMAN, HAD MADE IN ITS DISCUSSION OF THE POLICY TO BE FOLLOWED IN UNITING DIVIDED FAMILIES. FRELEK SAID THAT, FOLLOWING HIS RETURN TO WARSAW FROM HIS VISIT TO THE U.S., THE COMMISSION HAD FINISHED WORK ON ITS RECOMMENDATION TO THE GOVERNMENT. HE SAID HE EXPECTED THE RECOMMENDATION TO BE ACCEPTED. THIS WOULD "IMPROVE THE SITUATION", HE SAID.

2. FRELEK ADDED THAT HE WAS AWARE OF THE LIST OF SIX CASES I HAD GIVEN FOREIGN MINISTER OLSZOWSKI JULY 21 (REF A). HE SAID THAT THESE CASES WOULD BE LOOKED INTO.

3. I EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION AT THESE TWO PIECES OF INFORMATION. I SAID THERE WERE A COUPLE OF OTHER CASES I WISHED TO BRING TO HIS ATTENTION.

4. FIRST, I DESCRIBED THE LEPIANKA CASE (REF B),
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NOTING THE "CLERICAL ERROR" ON THE BASIS OF WHICH

THE POLISH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON HAD SAID MRS. LEPIANKA WOULD RECEIVE HER PASSPORT (IT IS THIS, RATHER THAN AN EXIT VISA, WHICH MRS. LEPIANKA IS UNABLE TO OBTAIN). I READ TO HIM THE LAST TWO PARAGRAPHS OF REF B. I THEN GAVE HIM A COPY OF THE PIECE OF PAPER WHICH SECRETARY SIMON LEFT WITH ME, CONTAINING BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS OF THE CASES OF BRONISLAWA LEPIANKA, JACKE DZIERZANOWSKI, AND BARBAR MAJESTIC. I SAID THAT WE HAD JUST BEEN INFORMED THAT MRS. MAJESTIC WOULD RECEIVE HER PASSPORT ON AUGUST 2 IN WROCLAW. I NOTED THAT JACEK DZIERZANOWSKI ALSO FIGURES ON THE LIST OF SIX DIVIDED SPOUSES WHICH ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN GAVE DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER SPASOWSKI JUNE 22; WHICH I HAD HANDED TO FOREIGN MINISTER OLSZOWSKI ON JULY 21, AND WHICH FRELEK HAD TOLD ME A FEW MINUTES EARLIER WOULD BE LOOKED INTO. THIS LEFT THE CASE OF MRS. LEPIANKA, A 64-YEAR-OLD WOMAN WHOS FAMILY WAS IN THE UNITED STATES. I ALSO GAVE HIM A COPY OF A NOTE ON MRS. LEPIANKA, WHICH WE SENT TO THE MFA JUNE 29. FRELEK SAID HE WAS NOT FAMILIAR WITH THIS CASE, BUT WOULD LOOK INTO IT.

5. SECONDLY, I SAID THAT THE HEAD OF THE EMBASSY'S CONSULAR SECTION, CONSUL RICHARD MILTON, HAD SPOKEN ON JULY 15 WITH MR. LUKOMSKI OF THE CONSULAR DEPARTMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ABOUT THE CASE OF THE WIFE AND CHILDREN OF ANDRZEJ BOZEK, WHO, WE UNDERSTOOD, WOULD APPEAR AUGUST 4 ON A CBS-TV PROGRAM DEALING WITH REFUGEES (REFS C AND D). I SAID I HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE PRECISE CONTENT OF THE PROGRAM OR WHAT BOZEK'S PART IN IT WOULD BE. I CONSIDERED THAT IT WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE IF, DURING THIS PROGRAM, MR. BOZEK SAID THAT HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN WERE IN POLAND AND WERE UNABLE TO OBTAIN PASSPORTS. FRELEK ASKED ME IF I KNEW WHEN AND HOW BOZEK HAD LEFT POLAND. I SAID I DID NOT. FRELEK SAID HE WOULD LOOK INTO THIS CASE, LIKE THAT OF MRS. LEPIANKA, AND WOULD LET US KNOW ABOUT BOTH OF THEM NO LATER THAN AUGUST 2. (DCM CARROLL BROWN IS SCHEDULE TO HAVE LUCH WITH FRELEK AUGUST 3; IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HE WILL WAIT UNTIL THEN

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TO IMPART THE PROMISED INFORMATION.) WE WILL PRESS FRELEK FOR AN ANSWER BEFORE AUGUST 4 ON THE CASE OF IRENE BOZEK.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: THE DEPARTMENT WILL PRESUMABLY WISH TO GIVE SENATOR PERCY'S OFFICE THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 4, TOGETHER WITH THE INFORMATION THAT THE JACKE DZIERZANOWSKI CASE IS ONE OF THOSE

WHICH, WE HAVE BEEN PROMISED, IS TO BE RE-EXAMINED.

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